

Notes of Parents' coffee morning

26th November 2009

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☺ Mrs Long welcomed everyone to the meeting, and asked if any parents had any questions or issues they would like to raise.	
A question was asked about lunchtime. A child says that he can't have just custard for pudding when he has hot dinners.	Mrs Long will investigate
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A discussion was held about school uniform. Initially Yours supply the Junior school uniform. Parents said that they would like our uniform to be supplied by this handy and friendly store. Coats for the Juniors are also supplied by Initially Yours. Would this be possible for the Infant school? 	Mrs Long/Mrs Hulm will investigate and feed back to the next coffee morning
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mrs Long asked if everyone could remember to send their child to school with a coat everyday, and to pass the message on. 	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A parent thanked Mrs Long for sending all the dates for school events well in advance. 	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mrs Long raised the issue of balls outside in the morning, and requested that parents do not allow children to kick balls around the busy playground in the morning or after school, in the interest of everyone's safety. Parents said that it is disappointing to have children on scooters in the playground, when they have been asked not to. Timber trail. A discussion was held about whether or not the timber trail should be used by children before and after school. The current rule is that they should not use it, but they are. A show of hands revealed that 50% of parents feel that children should be allowed, 50% that they should not. 	Mrs Long will find out about the situation regarding insurance. The school council will be consulted and we will discuss further at the next coffee morning.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mrs Hulm asked parents for their views on siblings attending the Christmas concerts. Parents said that finding childcare is difficult (everyone is at the concert), but where possible they will, especially for the evening performance. Everyone felt that noisy toddlers and babies should be taken out of the hall, in order for the actors on stage to be heard. It was asked if we could allow buggies in to the hall, as often younger children will then sit quietly. Mrs Long said that she would arrange a space for them in the hall. All the children at BHIS and BHJS will have an opportunity to see the concerts within school time. 	

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • School Photos. Mrs Long asked parents if they would prefer to have informally posed photos rather than the formally posed photos that we have previously had. Parents responded very positively to the proposed change. It was asked if in future years photos could be taken in time for Christmas presents, and Mrs Long agreed that this was a good idea. Family photos could also be taken after school. 	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A parent raised a concern about cars outside school and asked if residents could be reminded to take great care. 	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A parent has put a suggestion in the suggestion box. When we collect shoe boxes, perhaps each class could be allocated a couple of items to buy and then we could make the boxes up in school 	To consider for next year
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Next meeting Thursday 28th January 2010 at 9.00am</u> • Please place any agenda/discussion items for this meeting in suggestion box, which is in reception. 	